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Thorton Condemns Mrs. Clark to Death

Sir John Dick
-Reprinted from 1809-

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And, whereat an improper use has been made of indulgences given by the Members of this Association to unqualified persons and others, to hunt on their grounds, these are therefore intimating that all indulgences, whether verbal or in writing, granted previous hereto, are hereby recalled; and that if any person whatever shall presume in time coming

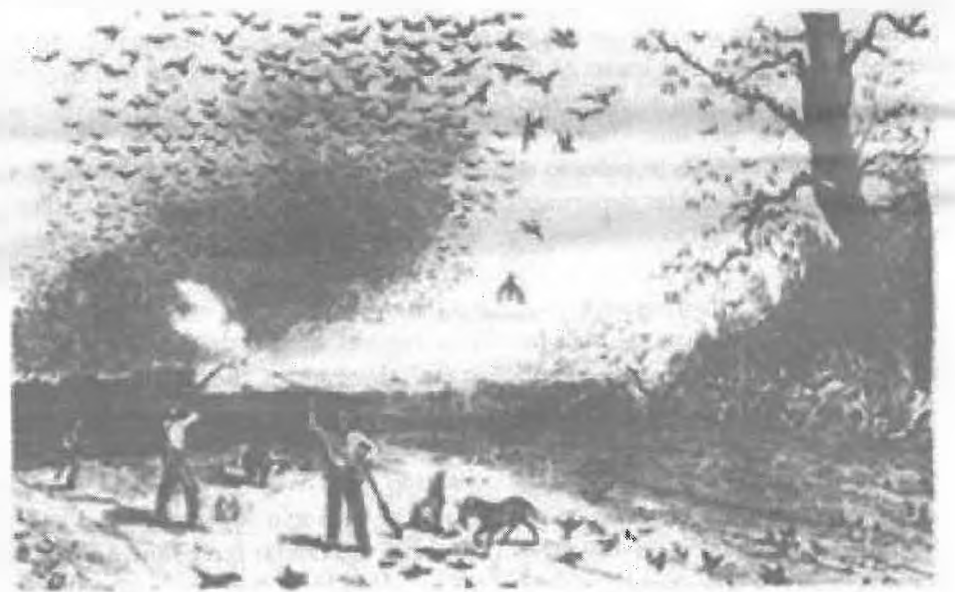
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News

Sierawski Attends Inauguration as a VIP

Rebecca High
-Viewpoints Editor-

Not even newspapers stuffed up the sleeves of her jacket could smother Bethany Sierawski's inaugural glow.

The Cedarville University senior, also the treasurer/secretary of College Democrats, road tripped solo all the way to Washington D.C., and managed to snag last minute prime-seating tickets to see President Barack Obama sworn in as the 44th president of the United States. "It was nice," she said. "Nice? No...It was incredible. Amazing. Inspiring. Overwhelming. It's so hard to describe it."

Bethany left Cedarville on her seven and one-half hour commute the Friday before the inauguration. "I was pumped—the road trip was nothing," she said. "And actually, West Virginia has really good NPR!"

Sierawski, an Illinois native, has been supporting Obama since he started his presidential race, and spent part of last year's Christmas break campaigning with her sister during the Iowa caucuses. This year she has been an avid leader of the College Democrats, and when Obama won the election, she immediately requested time off clinicals in order to attend the inauguration. Her department heads were kind enough to acquiesce.

Although Sierawski arrived in the district expecting to stand for the inauguration with the masses at the Mall, her uncle, a Michigan judge, managed to obtain tickets for seating in the VIP arena.

"Each senator is allotted a certain amount of inaugural tickets to give away," said Sierawski. "My uncle really admired how my sister and I have been working to support Obama, and he asked his friend Senator Levin for extra tickets."

Tuesday morning, Bethany was up and out in the subzero cold by 6 a.m., dressed in multiple pairs of socks, running shoes—"to sprint past masses of

people"—she said, long johns, thermal shirts, sweater, jacket and sweatpants.

"But they were classy sweatpants," Sierawski points out. "It was absolutely freezing, but so thrilling!"

But the cold didn't stop the millions who turned out to celebrate the United States' changing of the guard. Sierawski was thrilled by the positive attitude that permeated the entire city. "Everyone was chanting and cheering," she said. "It was cool to be with so many voices and to realize that I was one. It proves the American spirit," she added. "My voice did make a difference."

Even despite the infamous fumble during the swearing-in, Sierawski opines that it was a poetic foretelling of the future: "Obama and [Chief Justice John] Roberts

come from very different backgrounds," she said. "But they both messed up, and... they were just trying to work together to get it right. It was a really special moment." She added, "This is what our country's going to look like."

"It was when we finally realized that Bush wasn't president any more, that Obama was the new president, we started crying," Sierawski admits. "His speech was awesome. I loved his illustration of Washington and the troops in the bloody snow. That's what many people are going through—this make or break moment. That is what we are trying to help." Sierawski added, "The benediction was wonderful...and I loved Aretha's hat!"

Big events draw big names—she even caught a glimpse of Tom Hanks exiting a

Port-a-John. "He was right in front of me!" she exclaimed. "And my friend saw Mariah Carey at another one," she said. "Can you believe Mariah Carey used a Port-A-John?"

Even before the big day, Sierawski described the anticipatory atmosphere of D.C. as millions of eager citizens turned out to help ready the city for its new president. Bethany and her sister worked from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. the Monday before inauguration, sweeping, cleaning and picking up trash at a community center.

"It was a national volunteer day,"

Sierawski said. "We met great people—I hugged so many random people—individuals who wanted to serve. It was truly a testimony to the commitment and community-like feeling—to personally bring change."

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BETHANY SIERAWSKI

CU College Democrats Treasurer/Secretary Bethany Sierawski braves subzero temperature to witness President Obama's inauguration.

School of Humanities Celebrates 1809

Jonathan Demers & Sarah Jones
-Staff Writers-

In this last week of January, Cedarville University's School of Humanities has chosen to honor the year 1809 through several historically related campus events. These various activities are intended to display the breadth of early 19th century history, from literature expositions to political discourses.

1809 serves as birth year for several influential individuals such as Abraham Lincoln, Edgar Allen Poe and Felix Mendelssohn. Thomas Paine, an influential American revolutionary, philosopher, and political thinker, also passed away two hundred years ago.

"I chose the theme because I thought there would be a number of bicentennial celebrations for people who were born that year," stated Dr. Barbara Loach, professor of foreign language in the language and literature department. The individuals born that year also seemed, according to Loach, a proper reflection across the academic disciplines, thus initiating the campus-wide celebration.

Dr. Steven Winteregg, dean of the school of humanities, concurred with Loach's theme selection, noting too the individuals identified. "This was an incredibly important year," Winteregg said. "Abraham Lincoln was born, as was Edgar Allen Poe."

Several specific measures were initiated to properly demonstrate this tribute of a past era.

American political and historical turbulence highlighted the outset of the week, with Monday's theme marked by a recreation of the famous Lincoln-Douglas debates. Sponsored by Cedarville's Department of Communication Arts, debate team members Stephanie Devine and Katy Hawkins replaced the 200-year-old abolitionary argument with the back and forth of contemporary human rights.

"This debate is really quite similar to the one over 100 years ago insofar as human rights," said Mr. Matthew Moore, the debate team's interim manager.

"More importantly, we want to bring about a culture that invites critical thinking. Rather than viewing an issue predominately on one side, it's beneficial to see things from multiple perspectives."



ANDREW BASH

Katy Hawkins prepares to refute her opponent.

Pharmacy Program Launches at CU

Katy Hawkins
-Staff Writer-

In fall 2008, Cedarville University (CU) selected the first five freshmen to enter the university's new pre-pharmacy program. These students will complete an intense seven-year program including three years of pre-pharmacy undergraduate study followed by four years of professional study, graduating with a doctor of pharmacy degree.

Cedarville seeks to remain on the cutting edge of health care and science professions. Development of a rigorous professional pharmacy program is key to achieving this goal.

Existing programs are unable to keep pace with demands from the field. Currently, it is estimated that institutions throughout the United States receive over 73,000 pharmacy applicants each year, yet thousands of professional positions remain empty; by 2020, studies project a deficiency of 150,000 pharmacists.

Experts predict a rapid increase in demand as the population ages and the scope of health care expands. CU's School of Pharmacy is on track to open in 2012 upon receiving accreditation by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education, the Ohio Board of Regents and the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools.

Meanwhile, CU recently introduced Dr. Marc A. Sweeney who will be the founding dean of the university's future school of pharmacy. Prior to accepting this position, Dr. Sweeney represented The University of Findlay as associate professor and chair of pharmacy practice.

Dr. Sweeney comes to Cedarville with first-hand experience developing professional pharmacy programs, as he was instrumental in founding Findlay's School of Pharmacy.

Moreover, Dr. Sweeney holds several leadership roles in the field, including his role as a member of the Board of Trustees for the Ohio Pharmacists Association, the Centers for Osteopathic Research and Education, and the Board of Directors for the Ohio Chapter of the American Society of Consultant Pharmacists.

In the near future, Cedarville aims to employ an associate dean and department chairs to assist development of separate departments of pharmaceutical sciences and pharmacy practice. By 2011, Cedarville intends to begin construction on a health sciences complex to house offices, classrooms and laboratories for the school of pharmacy.

According to Dr. Sweeney, Cedarville's standards for acceptance to the pre-pharmacy program reflect the highly competitive nature of the field.

"Since most students must compete to get into a professional graduate pharmacy program, the standards are consistent with the qualifications of those programs," said Dr. Sweeney. "There are very few programs that are entry level programs. CU's standards will ensure that CU graduates will be highly qualified professionals in all areas of practice."

On average, Cedarville freshmen rank in the top 15 percent of national ACT and

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Students Satisfied at CU

Jonathan Demers
-Staff Writer-

Cedarville University (CU) gained the acclaim of Council for Christian Colleges and Universities (CCCCU) according to the latest Noel-Levitz Student Satisfaction Inventory, ranking first in the CCCCU report in 22 categories, top ten in 95 percent of the items and first or second in all six faith-based items.

Cedarville also compared favorably in numerous categories according to the national survey, ranking first overall in seven categories and in the top three percent in nearly 60 items.

Dr. Carl Ruby, vice president of student life, was encouraged by the results.

"I think student satisfaction reflects where we place our priorities. I think that there are a number of ways that people can think about us as a Christian university," Ruby said. "This survey gives us quantifiable data that says we're doing very well in several significant categories."

One unfortunate trend continues; unenthusiastic accounts of sparse financial aid. In the realm of financial aid, CU finished last among the 53 schools in the CCCCU. Cedarville also ranked 283 out of 288 schools nationwide in the financial aid category.

This is hardly news to the student body, though.

"I realized before choosing to attend Cedarville that I wasn't going to receive a lot of financial aid," said Stephanie Kramer, freshman biology major.

"Going here was a big decision. I'm going into debt no matter how many scholarships I receive. To me, though, it was still worthwhile to attend Cedarville." Stephanie placed in the 99th percentile in the 2008 ACT.

The CU administration has certainly



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Since 2005, CU has significantly improved its score in the areas of ministry opportunity, academic excellence and school spirit.

taken note of this predicament.

"The survey reinforces our need for commitment to student aid," Ruby observed. "In light of this and other reports in the past, we have increased our spending on financial aid by 88 percent over the past four to five years. We're hoping an infusion of financial aid will benefit enrollment and retention rate at the university as well."

Fred Merritt of the Financial Aid Office said, "As we serve students and families, our top priority is to do all that we can to make the Cedarville experience as affordable as possible."

"We know that Dr. Brown, the administrative council and the board of trustees are all committed to increasing the amount of financial aid that is available to our students. Additional funding for scholarships has been provided each year. Some very good things are happening, but it will take time."

Since 2005, significant growth has taken place in several key categories of this

survey. Examples include CU ministry opportunities, academic excellence and school spirit.

"Students are more satisfied now than any other time," Ruby said. "Compared to how we have done in the past, students are far more satisfied. Also, in regard to other comparable institutions, we are doing exceptionally well. Both of these observations are very encouraging."

Ruby's presumption seems to resonate with the student body.

"Compared to Capital University, you can tell the teachers here truly care about the students," said Clayton Grubb, sophomore philosophy major. "They invest in you and care about you outside the classroom."

Stuart Ellis, a junior public administration major, believes he is getting a better education than most. "Compared to many of my other friends, I feel as though I will be better prepared for my future career

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CU Celebrates Culture

Emily Severance
-Staff Writer-

Diversity is a topic often preached, but rarely celebrated. On Feb. 2, however, Cedarville University (CU) will celebrate. CU will be hosting its seventh annual Cultural Celebration Week, a time for the student body to reflect on their differences and celebrate their unity as the body of Christ.

The goal of the week is "to celebrate Biblically correct diversity, not politically correct diversity," said Jon Purple, dean of student life. "We want to expand people's exploration and knowledge of different cultures."

"Being a predominately white institution," Purple continued, "we often forget that there are other people here that are different from us. We forget what's going on in the world around us. God created everyone uniquely, and he values everyone equally."

"It's easy to ignore the differences within the body of Christ," said Briana Dupree, student relations director for SGA. "This week will allow the student body to acknowledge and learn about those differences."

Throughout the week, there will be events celebrating various cultures, including henna tattoos, free Korean tea, a Bollywood movie and an event put on by Women of Vision to bring awareness about the issue

of poverty in Mexico.

Chuck's is even getting involved. Every night of the week, the dining hall will be featuring dishes from all corners of the earth, accompanied by music from each region.

There will also be a praise and worship time at the beginning and the end of the week.

"This will be a time for us to realize that issues of diversity and racial reconciliation are on God's heart," said DuPree. "There's

nothing I love more than people from all walks of life coming together to celebrate our King."

Cultural Celebration Week originally started as a celebration of Black History Month, but soon expanded to celebrate all heritages.

"We wanted to have a celebration for each ethnicity and that just wasn't going to work," said Purple. "It's not to the exclusion

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The Student Relations Committee meets regularly to foster racial reconciliation at CU.

CU Traces Steps of MLK

Stephanie Devine
-Staff Writer-

Last Sunday, Jan. 25, five faculty/staff members and 25 Cedarville University (CU) students arrived back on campus, stepping out of a star-spangled sleeper bus, after the second annual Civil Rights Bus Tour.

In an attempt to track the civil rights movement through the eyes of Martin Luther King Jr., the group traveled from Atlanta, Ga., through Alabama, stopping in Birmingham, Montgomery and Selma. The weekend concluded in the Civil Rights Museum in Memphis, Tenn., built around the Lorraine Motel, the site of King's assassination.

Dean of Student Life Jon Purple, who has coordinated the first two tours, eagerly anticipated another eye-opening experience. In first discussing the trip as a Cedarville staple, Purple relied on the testimonies of colleagues at other universities.

In keeping the bus tour format, Purple emphasized the unique benefits of "being on site, not just book learning, but actually stepping there." Since this is the first trip of its kind for the Cedarville community, Purple's first organizational attempts relied on inviting students "who were sensitive to issues of social justice."

Relying on campus groups such as the P.E.A.C.E Project and Student Relations Committee, Purple was well pleased with the diverse body of students that took the first trip and eventually assisted him in "working out all the bugs" that made this year's trip a large improvement in the eyes of the administration.

Although this 2009 trip was open to the entirety of the student body, Purple reports reserving "several spots for the MCC (Multi-Cultural Community), as well as several for freshmen." This creates the diversity Purple sees as an integral factor on the trip.

"This may sound a little simplistic," said Purple, "but one of the most meaningful things I heard was from a Caucasian student who attended last year. The student said that now, upon

were fighting for and why it was so important to them, and to reflect on how far we've come since that day and age and how far we still have to go."

Before leaving, Akande looked forward to helping "students who have read about the movement to have a chance to go where those little girls were bombed, to hear from witnesses what it was like on that day, to hear the pain and frustration they felt."

The prospect of the Edmond Pettis Bridge was high on Akande's list of expectations for the trip. Located in Selma, Ala., the bridge was the site of what is now referred to as "Bloody Sunday."

Akande said, "to actually go to the site and walk in the same place those people walked, I can't imagine."

Akande emphasized how easy it is for students to forget that the movement "really wasn't that long ago." She said that one of the major goals of the trip is to provide "greater insight into the pain and hurt that happened in this country."

For ethnically diverse students considering Cedarville University, she sees the trip as "a concerted effort to let them know that they're welcome, that we want them here, to reach out to our brothers and sisters in the body of Christ."

Both Akande and Purple expressed enthusiasm for the trip in years ahead. The application process will likely remain open to the entire student body as the administration looks to continuously improve the content and experience for students in years ahead.



Danny Kloosterman sits on a bus with 24 other students headed to the South.

JOSH GIGLIOTTI

seeing a friend from the bus trip in a group of black students in the Hive, they [the Caucasian student] feel as if they can enter in the conversation based on the bridge of friendship extended during the trip."

Joining the group this year was Carmille Akande, associate dean for multicultural and special programs. Akande is slated to organize and lead the trip in years following.

Akande expressed a great deal of enthusiasm for the responsibility. "I think the trip exposes students, faculty and staff to [...] different aspects of the civil rights movement and gives them insight into what the civil rights leaders

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SAT scores; in comparison, the average pre-pharmacy freshmen ranks in the top four percent.

Students accepted for pre-pharmacy at Cedarville are required to meet higher high school GPA standards, interview at Cedarville, and will be required to maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA at CU throughout the three-year program before being eligible for acceptance to the four-year school of pharmacy.

Esther Ahn, who transferred into the pre-pharmacy program as a sophomore, says the program attracted her because of the integration of pharmacy with investigation into bioethical concerns. She also appreciates the opportunity to complete a Bible minor at Cedarville.

The final year of Cedarville's pharmacy program will offer unique opportunities. For instance, students will participate in advanced clinical rotations.

According to Dr. Sweeney, "the program will probably include clinical experiences in regional, state and national medical centers, pharmacies, public health system, home care companies, long term care facilities, physician clinics, consulting companies, pharmaceutical companies, wellness programs, specialty clinical areas—for example: neurology, oncology, cardiology, psychiatry, etc.)."

Additionally, students will have greater opportunity to join medical missions in the course of their clinical experience.



Dr. Marc A. Sweeney will be the founding dean of CU's future school of pharmacy.

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"Obama has this attitude: 'Work hard for us, and we'll work hard for you,' she said. It's a mutual exchange, and it's different from the previous administration. Obama's in it with us."

And Obama is already showing Americans the change he promised. Since taking office, he has called for a plan of responsible withdrawal from Iraq, ordered the closure of Guantanamo Bay within the next year, appointed qualified envoys to handle pressing issues in the Middle East, and overturned the Global Gag rule, allowing aid back to Family Planning organizations.

"Being president is an incredibly tough job, and Obama must be crazy or a saint to want this position," Sierawski said. "I'm gonna go with saint. He wants to make this country better, and I'll rally around that."

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because I attend this university."

Cedarville ranked number one according to both the CCCU and national reports in "commitment to academic excellence."

The stereotypical view that Christian universities somehow require academic concession is "completely unfounded," Ruby stated.

"You don't have to compromise intellectual development or academic excellence to attend a Christian school—there's no need to give up anything academically by choosing to attend a Christian university, and in particular Cedarville."

Ministry in particular stands out as a defining characteristic of CU, and this of no accidental fault according to Campus Pastor Bob Rohm. "Cedarville has made ministry one of the priorities of this university," he said. "It is an integral part of campus culture."

Cedarville boasts 16 full-time Christian Ministries employees, the largest ministry workforce in the CCCU.

"We have a great staff here," Rohm said. "We each look forward to continuing to serve the Cedarville student body in the coming semester and further."

A Christ-centered academic community, the stated mission of CU, is not defined by irrelevant external issues, but by the character of the university, Ruby says.

"What does it mean to us to be Christ-centered university? Has dress code changed over the past few years? To me, those are poor examples."

"I would rather have others assess us as a Christ-centered university according to our academic advisors, biblical integration, the unique Bible minor, chapel resources, ministry resources and our overall mission to support our students and glorify God."

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of ethnicities that we don't cover; we don't want people to be offended that we didn't represent their culture. There are so many, and we can't cover them all."

DuPree has been working closely with Purple to organize the event, and their vision for the week is for every student to explore and learn from cultures different from his own.

"My desire," said DuPree, "is to see the body of Christ embrace what it really means to be a community of Jesus followers. Within that community we must understand that there are differences among us that reflect God's beauty. I love Cultural Celebration Week because it's a week that our campus takes out to intentionally recognize that beauty."

Viewpoints

Gazans are People, Too: From the Other Side of the Wall

Juliana Shepherd
-Guest Writer-

Out of a population of 1.4 million in Gaza, the fact that there have been only ten Israeli deaths due to rocket fire from 2000-2008, according to the Israel Ministry of Foreign Affairs is an indication that not all Gazans are into launching rockets.

Since Dec. 26, Israel has invaded Gaza, taking the lives of around 1,100 individuals and justifying this reaction as retaliation for Hamas rockets.

If Israel's goal was to make the world mad and infuriate Arabs everywhere, it has succeeded—with the exception of the U.S., of course. We give them \$2.5 billion annually for their military. We're buddies. I doubt this operation has made Israel any more secure. The invasion was unprecedented and unjustifiable.

The Gazans would not gain much by giving in to Israel's wishes. Fatah has already tried that, and it has gotten them nowhere. The West Bank is no better off now than they were before they started negotiating with Israel.

For example, Palestinian residents of the West Bank still have trouble getting across Israel's "security" wall to access their land, their jobs and hospitals. Israel continues to build settlements within the West Bank while denying building permits to Palestinians in an effort to displace Arabs.

Despite positive talk from Israeli officials about a two-state solution, their actions communicate otherwise. They are saying, "We want you gone." Who would not fight for their right to live? It is easy for Israel to cry, "Peace, peace!" when they are the top dog, but not that long ago, before Israel was so powerful, it also used terrorist tactics to gain political leverage.

For instance, Menachim Begin, before he was Israeli prime minister, took part in terrorist acts in the 1940s which included the bombing of the King David Hotel in Jerusalem, which killed 91 people.

Ariel Sharon initiated the Shabra-Shatlat massacres where 1,000 and then 3,000 Palestinians—mostly women and children—were murdered. The terrorist groups were later given amnesty, and instead of being brought to justice, they took power.

In light of the terrorist acts inflicted on the Arabs by the Israelis in the 1940s and 1950s, there is little room for Israel to condemn Palestine for doing a similar thing now, on a much smaller scale.

News sources say that one-third of fatalities in Gaza have been children. I am amazed at how adamant "pro-life" Christians can be about babies in the womb

and so apathetic once the babies are born, depending on where they are born.

I do not hear Christians crying out to save Palestinian children who are being killed. Nor do I hear us praying for Palestinian Christians suffering from this conflict. Yes, they do exist.

Check out the book "We Belong to the Land" by Elias Chacour. I had the privilege of meeting him and praying with him for peace. When I asked him how we can help Christians in Palestine, he simply said, "Tell your Christian friends



about us. Tell them that we're here."

Cedarville is sending a group of students for a summer educational trip to Israel. If all rockets coming into Israel are causing casualties to the point where retaliation the size of what Israel has just done is justifiable, I am not so sure it is very safe to take students there.

And while we are on the subject of Cedarville's Israeli ties, why do we send MIS teams to Israel to support Russian immigrants? If Israel can use almost 10 percent of its GDP on defense spending, maybe it could spare a few shekels to take care of the immigrants it pays to immigrate. It is not like they are refugees.

Speaking of which, there is no MIS trip to Palestine. Maybe we are not aware that 70 percent of Palestinians are refugees. Maybe we are not aware that there is 20 percent unemployment in the West Bank as opposed to 7 percent in Israel.

What happened to going to places that actually need assistance? But wait ... we would not want to miss out on the blessing of supporting Israel. And who knows what trouble we could get in by supporting Israel's enemies. God forbid we should love our enemies.

Israeli Self-Defense

John Cooper
-Guest Writer-

The current conflict in Gaza has once again brought the Israeli-Palestinian debate to the fore. The purpose of this piece is not to write Israel a blank check of support; rather, it is to provide analysis and facts not often discussed—facts that will supply much needed perspective to the debate over Israel's military actions.

Perhaps the most strident criticism of Israel is that it engages in immoral military activity, indiscriminately killing in-

thereby saving thousands of lives.

In reality, Palestinian leaders bear a great deal of responsibility for the deaths of their own people in this regard. The Palestinian Authority prohibits the transfer of wounded Palestinians to Israeli hospitals, where patients are triaged based on need, not ethnicity. Further, despite the wealth of Palestinian leaders, little funding has been devoted to developing Palestinian medical infrastructure.

A third reason for the disparity, according to legal scholar Alan Dershowitz, is Palestinians' tendency to count among its dead the following: suicide bombers, armed combatants wearing no uniforms, and "civilians" killed engaging in activities such as bomb-making. It defies credulity to believe these individuals should be included in such a count, yet few will call Palestine's political bluff.

The final argument of this piece in Israel's behalf is also perhaps the strongest argument. In comparing the moral motivations for the actions of both sides, it is evident that Israel has a firm moral foundation for much, though certainly not all, of its military action.

In the vast majority of cases, Palestinian terrorists and combatants, at the behest of the Palestinian Authority, and in disregard of the peaceful wishes of their people, target innocent Israeli men, women and children. Indeed, the express purpose of Hamas and other terrorist groups is the destruction of Israel; they do not recognize its very right of existence.

On the other hand, much of Israel's military action has been in defense of its citizens. Reasonable individuals will agree that Israel, or any nation for that matter, has the right of self-defense through the use of symmetric warfare; in fact, Israel's responses have often been in response to asymmetric provocation.

Further, Israel does not target Palestinian civilians for destruction. Because Palestinian terrorists, in violation of international law, utilize their fellow brethren as human shields, as documented by numerous organizations, and because they often hide in densely populated Palestinian urban centers, they bear ultimate responsibility for the deaths of the innocent around them.

As stated earlier, this piece is not intended to excuse the reckless actions at times initiated by Israel. Rather, it is to demonstrate that believers interested in this issue, as growing scholars and Christ-followers, need to examine the arguments in order to avoid blurring the line between that which is noble and honorable and that which is inextricably evil.

On this issue of military action, in the light of facts, not emotion, the moral and factual justifications for Israel's actions far outweigh those of the Palestinian Authority.

nocent Palestinians. Proponents of this theory often claim that the disproportionate death toll supports their argument. Yet the following arguments will demonstrate the acuity of one commentator who noted, "Body counts alone do not determine the morality or legality of a military operation."

There are several reasons for the apparent disparity in casualties. First, the Israeli death toll is much lower because Israeli authorities have prevented thousands of terrorist attacks and apprehended numerous Palestinian terrorist suspects in the process of planning terrorist acts against Israeli citizens.

According to the Israeli Supreme Court, between September 2000 and August 2002 alone, over 14,000 attacks were made against Israeli civilians, while thousands more were prevented; the numbers today bear similar resemblance.

Another reason fewer Israelis have died is due to the quality and accessibility of Israel's emergency care system. Israel has developed emergency response systems that allow terrorism victims to be taken to emergency care centers in the aftermath of attacks and given life-saving treatment,

When Beauty is "Wild at Heart"

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Husband and wife team John and Stasi Eldredge strive to identify true masculinity and femininity in their popular books "Wild at Heart" and "Captivating."

On some levels, they succeed. It is an undeniable fact that men and women are different from each other, and the Eldredges' books address the painful reality of confused gender identities and domestic abuse.

However, both books ultimately fail to depict the complexity of gender.

The Eldredges believe that men and women are simple. So simple that, apparently, the core desires of every man and every woman can be reduced into a single "question" for each gender.

For men, the question is: "Do I have what it takes?" For women, it is: "Am I lovely?"

The questions epitomize the Eldredges' black-and-white view of gender. Men want to be the hero; women want to be the beauty.

According to John Eldredge, every woman's basic want is to be rescued by a man: "Not every woman wants a battle to fight, but every woman yearns to

be fought for ... She wants to be more than noticed—she wants to be wanted. She wants to be pursued."

In "Wild at Heart," he adds:

"The world kills a woman's heart when it tells her to be tough, efficient and independent ... No one is fighting for her heart, there is no grand adventure to be swept up in, and every woman doubts very much that she has any beauty to unveil."

In other words, John Eldredge believes that women are weak, self-centered creatures that need constant emotional justification.

The fact that "Wild at Heart" and its female counterpart, "Captivating," are consistent bestsellers should be a serious danger signal for anyone concerned about gender equality.

It should also concern Christians dedicated to biblical truth. "Wild at Heart" and "Captivating" feature more popular song lyrics and movie quotes than they do Scripture references.

What is more, their quest to turn men into heroes and women into pretty princesses is contrary to the message of Galatians 3:28, "There is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus."

In fact, Jesus himself is a problem for the Eldredges' philosophy. Throughout the text of "Captivating," Stasi Eldredge limits the reflection of God's beauty to one gender: women. There is simply no mention of the ways in which men may reflect the beauty of their Creator.

What does this mean for Jesus? Was he somehow not beautiful? Stasi Eldredge fails to address this conundrum.

Instead, Stasi Eldredge offers a series of examples that "prove" that women embody God's beauty:

"Pioneer women brought china teacups into the wilderness, and I bring a pretty tablecloth to eat on when my

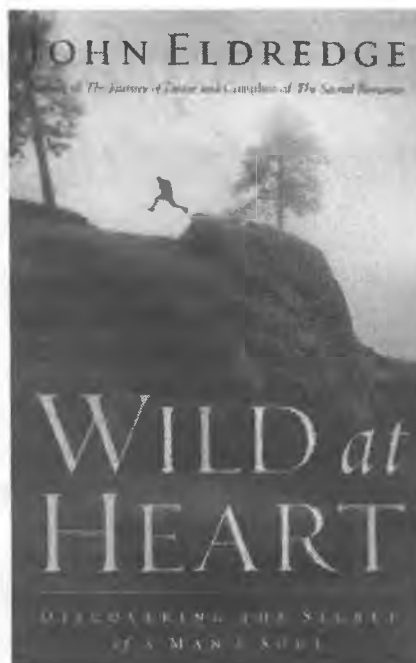
family camps. We wear perfume, paint our toenails, color our hair, and pierce our ears, all in an effort to be ever more beautiful."

Agnieszka Tennant, a writer for Christianity Today, disagrees with the Eldredges' dichotomy: "For some reason, the Eldredges restrict the source of beauty to women. Sorry, Rubens, Michelangelo, da Vinci, Bach and men with stunning looks—you don't make the list."

Tennant finds this description of beauty lacking: "That beauty isn't wild enough; it's prettification, a tendency toward sentimental adornment."

In her effort to define femininity, Stasi Eldredge has forgotten that the source of that beauty is also wild at heart.

John and Stasi Eldredge are correct in that men and women are distinct. But the genders are as complicated as the God who created them. Many women do want to be independent, and sometimes men need rescuing, too.



Finding New Faith in Tradition

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With sola scriptura as our creed, we evangelicals tend to be suspicious of anything that might possibly supplant the authority of the Word in our faith. We also tend to be a little wary of the formal and the overly structured, assuming that authenticity is a function of spontaneity. Our approach to faith is often individualistic and not terribly compatible with tradition.

Given this background, evangelical conversions to Eastern Orthodoxy seem unlikely. However, roughly two decades ago, 20 Campus Crusade staff members converted to Eastern Orthodoxy thus beginning a trend that continues today.

Some evangelical converts to Eastern Orthodoxy have been high profile: Frank Schaeffer (son of Francis Schaeffer) who converted to Greek Orthodoxy, William A. Dembski (a leading proponent of Intelligent Design theory who returned to evangelicalism in 1999) and Oxford philosopher Richard Swinburne.

Recently, younger evangelicals have also begun to turn toward more liturgical worship such as that found in the Anglican, Catholic and Eastern Orthodox Churches. Young people in general are embracing forms of morality and Christianity that are more traditional, a sociological trend upon which Colleen Carroll expounds in her work, "The New Faithful."

Of the students in the two largest Orthodox seminaries in the U.S., 50 percent are converts, writes Sam Torode, himself a convert to Orthodoxy. In the last 20-30 years, the Anti-

ochene Orthodox Church in America has seen the number of its churches triple, mostly because of conversions.

Worship in Eastern Orthodoxy is highly liturgical and sensory, with ornate architecture, incense, icons, the sign of the cross, kissing and singing. The Orthodox Church believes that the Eucharist actually is the body and blood of Christ. Orthodox churches also emphasize spiritual disciplines; they rarely sit during their services, and communion is preceded by confession extensive fasting.

There is also continuity with the past in Orthodoxy, with liturgies recited that have been used for over a thousand years. Frederica Mathewes-Green writes that one motivation for her conversion was this unity across time and space that she found in the Orthodox tradition.

Theologian Lawrence Carrino articulates some more fundamental differences between evangelicalism and Orthodoxy. First, the Orthodox Church is often more comfortable with mystery and sees Western Christianity as too dominated by rationalism.

Second, the two traditions differ on the

doctrine of justification. The Eastern view emphasizes the incarnation and Christ as victor over Satan and evil, while the dominant view in the West emphasizes the legal aspects of atonement as substitution. Substitutionary atonement involves the idea that Christ fulfilled the requirements of the Law by taking our place when he suffered on the cross. This difference holds significance because, as Carrino argues, Scripture speaks of salvation "primarily in terms of substitution and satisfaction."

Third, though Protestants do not dispense with tradition, they do not see it as authoritative and certainly not on par with Scripture.

Additionally, Orthodox churches venerate Mary and icons. However,

Mathewes-Green explains that veneration is not worship. In Orthodoxy, the veneration of Mary is the fulfillment of the Scriptural prophecy "all generations will call me blessed" (Luke 1:48) and not belief that she is the facilitator of their salvation.

Likewise, icon reverence and prayers to the saints is a reflection of the Orthodox consciousness of history. To the Orthodox believer, Christians who have gone before are still part of the Church. Just as we would ask a believing friend to pray for us, so they ask saints.

Despite these differences, there are a number of things to appreciate about the Orthodox Church such as the focus on spiritual discipline and not just initial conversion, valuing of tradition, ties to the past that make it less likely to be deceived by cultural idols, emphasis on community and attention to aesthetics.

Perhaps we are too quick to associate structure with deadness and tradition with unnecessary hindrance. Torode and Mathewes-Green agree that the liturgy and spiritual disciplines foster spiritual growth.

We do not have to become Orthodox to recognize that God speaks through tradition, too. Prayers that someone else wrote hundreds of years ago can be just as heartfelt as spontaneous ones.

While we must avoid legalism and the placing of any authority above God, we can glean truth from the Orthodox traditions. Their disciplines, liturgies and structures can help us also avoid "cheap grace."



Social Justice Requires Collaboration

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In the Dec. 4, 2008 edition of Cedars, Dr. Marc Clauson wrote a thought-provoking essay entitled, "The Injustice of Social Justice." We value the opportunity to engage in constructive debate on such an important issue and seek to present a different understanding of social justice.

In this article, we maintain that the biblical call to care for the poor and oppressed is given not only to individuals and the church, but to the state as well.

Dr. Clauson reduces the definition and application of social justice to economic redistribution. While economic redistribution is an aspect of social justice, social justice entails much more. For instance, a broader definition describes social justice as "the respect for the human person and the rights which flow from human dignity and guarantee it. Society must provide the conditions that allow people to obtain what is their due, according to their nature and vocation." This definition establishes the reason for striving toward social justice in the first place and recognizes the inherent relationship between society and the individual. Government does

not help the poor and oppressed out of some free floating notion of social welfare but because first, it recognizes the innate value of all human beings because they are created in the image of God.

Second, social justice places responsibility on the government to provide a societal structure that seeks to provide a level playing field for all its citizens. This does not mean we can achieve economic or educational equality, for instance. But instead it means that some members of the society should not be shut out of trying and succeeding according to their capabilities and efforts because of societal structures that prevent fair access to necessary resources and opportunities. For those not capable, help must be given so that they can live with dignity.

The Bible is replete with passages where God holds both Israel and surrounding godless nations to a standard of biblical justice that includes caring for the oppressed (Amos 2, Isaiah 58, James 2, Matt. 25, Acts 20:35). Both the Old Testament and New Testament understanding of biblical justice teach that we must deliver the oppressed from their oppression regardless of one's political viewpoint.

Because God's standards of justice are applied in Scripture to foreign (even pagan!) governments, Christians must affirm that government involvement is a primary means

of facilitating social responsibility. This is not a responsibility that can be rationalized away; the individual, the church, and the state must all seriously consider what can be done to remove systemic societal barriers that hamper the chances of some to live a better life.

In our contemporary culture, the oppressed include the poor, the widow, the orphan (children of broken homes), the aged, the disenfranchised and the uneducated. While not all will properly use the opportunities society offers, we all continue to bear the responsibility that God places on us for those he created and loves. In our American context, we are a government of the people, by the people, and for the people. This is why we can aspire to achieve "the God-given promise that all are equal, all are free, and all deserve a chance to pursue their full measure of happiness."

Working corporately (i.e. with government) exponentially increases the potential good effect of delivering vital resources to help the individual. We are not coerced in this endeavor because we live in a democracy where we have a social contract with the state: we pay taxes and willingly limit other liberties in exchange for the government's actions that promote the common good. Of course, it is not only the government's responsibility to work for social jus-

tice. Christians should be the first ones leading the charge for bringing social justice and equality to our citizens.

Our faith is not just about spiritual issues; it is about seeing the needs around us and transforming the world (Jas. 2:14-17). It is not enough to introduce people to Christ and send them back into poverty with a substandard education that condemns their future. Jesus taught us that when we feed, or visit, or clothe the poor we are caring for him (Matt. 25). We cannot deny the connection between our kindness to the poor and our worship of Jesus. The American people have always cared about more than economic issues. In his inaugural address on Jan. 20, 2009 President Barack Obama emphasized that the American promise recognizes:

"[T]he ability to extend opportunity to every willing heart ... not out of charity, but because it is the surest route to our common good. This is the price and the promise of citizenship. This is the source of our confidence ... the knowledge that God calls on us to shape an uncertain destiny."

Can we idly sit by as our society becomes more and more divided by inequality, whatever form that takes? No, we are called to work alongside effective government for social justice.

Persecuted Hotspot: [Not] China

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One minute into any discussion on religious persecution, someone will undoubtedly mention China. Bring up overseas missions, ERAP or the Apostle Paul on campus, and all good Cedarvillians can recount horrific stories of jailed and tortured believers, Bibles printed without the book of Revelation and government-run "show churches" in Beijing.

All will shake their heads in disgust at the godless and oppressive Communist regime and throw in a token "We need to pray for China." But the situation in China really is not that straightforward. It is not fair to the Chinese government or the Chinese believers to paint with such broad brushstrokes.

To ask, "Is Christianity allowed in China?" is like an inquisitive Chinese asking "Is it hot or cold in America?" You might begin that answer with, "Well, it depends ..." So it goes with religious freedom in China.

Without going into too much depth, a brief study of history reveals that it is completely reasonable for the Chinese government to be suspicious of organized religion, especially Christianity. In the 1800s, numerous imperialistic atrocities were committed in the name of "evangelism."

It cannot be denied that there have been, at certain times and places, significant acts of persecution against believers. These incidents do happen daily and will probably continue in some areas.

The story of the "Heavenly Man," Brother Yun, who recounted his experiences in an event on campus this past fall, is but one example among many. It is also true that heretical "puppet" churches probably do exist in China. For a country as vast and old, everything you've heard about China has probably been true in some place at some time.

However, the sensational headlines of religious persecution do not represent the whole picture. There are an estimated 70 million Christians in a country that is officially atheistic. Furthermore, the China Christian Council boasts 16 million baptized Protestant members from over 50,000 legally protected places of public Christian worship, 15,000 of which are actual church buildings.

For every persecuted Brother Yun there are two Chinese believers who attend an unregistered church in plain view of government officials, yet face no drastic confrontation from the government or persecution worse than American Christians face in their secular workplace.


For every Brother Yun there are two believers who are actively involved in the ministry of a doctrinally sound church that is state-sanctioned, but not state-run. These "Three Self Churches" have fervent believers who openly worship and freely share the Gospel with their co-workers and friends.

They are able to buy their own unsmuggled copies of several translations of the entire Bible, and yes, they include the book of Revelation. They participate in Christmas programs, Easter celebrations, and get baptized.

In some cities, they can even take the bus to their favorite Christian bookstore to buy a copy of "The Purpose Driven Life" or load up on bookmarks knitted with their favorite Psalm.

We should be in prayer for the oppressed believers, but to continually depict China as a hopeless land devoid of worship, doctrine or missions is to horribly diminish the testimony and work of the Chinese believers. Pray for those being persecuted, but pray also for those who are not persecuted, that they would continue to take advantage of this freedom.

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World Watch: Update

1. Venezuela:

Venezuela bishops have blamed supporters of President Hugo Chavez for recent tear gas attacks in Caracas. On Jan. 19, unidentified attackers hurled tear gas canisters at the Vatican mission, at university students and at the home of a media executive in supposed retaliation for a series of attacks against critics of Chavez. Chavez has harshly criticized representatives of Venezuela's Catholic Church for opposing proposed constitutional changes that would lift term limits for all elected officials, including Chavez. Since coming to power in 1998, Chavez has cultivated a reputation for targeting religious officials resistant to his efforts to bring a single-party, Cuban-type 'socialism' to Venezuela.

"You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for whom I have called you out of darkness into light."

2. Brazil:

Brazil has undergone one of religion's most dramatic demographic shifts: in addition to being the largest Catholic country in the world, Brazil can now claim one of the greatest Pentecostal populations, with 24 million faithful, in contrast with the United States' 5.8 million. According to scholars, the Pentecostal church is particularly attractive to the urban poor, needing an escape from violent inner-city culture. "The positive of this is that the gospel is growing—God's Word is reaching the people," said Francisco deSouza, a Brazilian native working with Fellowship International Mission. "The negative is that some churches are not presenting the true Gospel. There is a heavy emphasis on prosperity, healing and sensationalism [in these Pentecostal churches] that does not align with the Word. I don't mean to minimize the growth of the good, but—understand—the bad is growing as well."

3. DR of the Congo:

Ugandan rebel faction, the Lord's Resistance Army (LRA), recently torched a church crowded with worshippers in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. When two church parishioners intervened after the rebels had abducted two boys, their hands and legs were chopped off and were then beaten to death, said witnesses. The LRA, designated a terrorist organization by the U.S., has been accused of a wide scope of atrocities including murder, abduction and enlistment of children as combatants, mutilation, and the sexual enslavement of women and children. According to Human Rights Watch, the LRA has murdered 620 Congolese civilians and abducted more than 160 children since Christmas Eve. The LRA has been operating for two decades under leader Joseph Kony, who claims to be God's spokesperson fighting for the establishment of a new government based on the biblical Ten Commandments.

4. England:

On Jan. 6, a fleet of 800 red buses were outfitted with an advertisement reading, "There is probably no God. Now stop worrying and enjoy your life." The brainchild of comedian Ariane Sherine and Oxford Zoologist Richard Dawkins, leading British atheist and author of "The God Delusion," the ads were placed in response to the Christian-funded, Scripture-laden displays put on London buses last June. The church's response to the Atheist Bus Campaign surprised Dawkins, who predicted anger from believers. Instead, church leaders have regarded the ads with relatively open minds, embracing the attention the ad will bring to the crucial issue of faith.

5. Eritrea:

This year marks the seven-year anniversary of the Eritrean government's ban on the evangelical church. In May 2002, Independent Protestant churches were forced to close their buildings and were forbidden to meet privately in homes. Recently, the government arrested about 100 Christian men, women and children for their participation in evangelical circles. They were transferred to a military facility where they were severely mistreated. Today more than 2,000 believers are imprisoned—not one has been formerly charged, and all have been denied legal counsel and trial. Eritrea officially recognizes only four religious groups: the Orthodox Church, Catholics, Lutherans and Muslims.

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England

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Venezuela

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Brazil

1809 - International Bible Society founded; William Carey completed translation of Bible in Bengali.

1814 - First recorded baptism of a Chinese convert, Cai Gao; first missionaries arrived in New Zealand.

1843 - Fifty concerned Christian leaders met on a May afternoon to pray. As a result, World Venture was founded.

1865 - Salvation Army was founded in London's East End by former Methodist minister William Booth and his wife Catherine.

1886 - D.L. Moody establishes the Chicago Evangelization Society, which eventually becomes Moody Bible Institute.

1910 - T. B. China to 200 people number

1831 - American Congregational missionaries arrived in Thailand, withdrawing 18 years later without a single convert; four Native Americans from beyond the Rocky Mountains travel to St. Louis, Mo., seeking information on the "palefaces' religion."

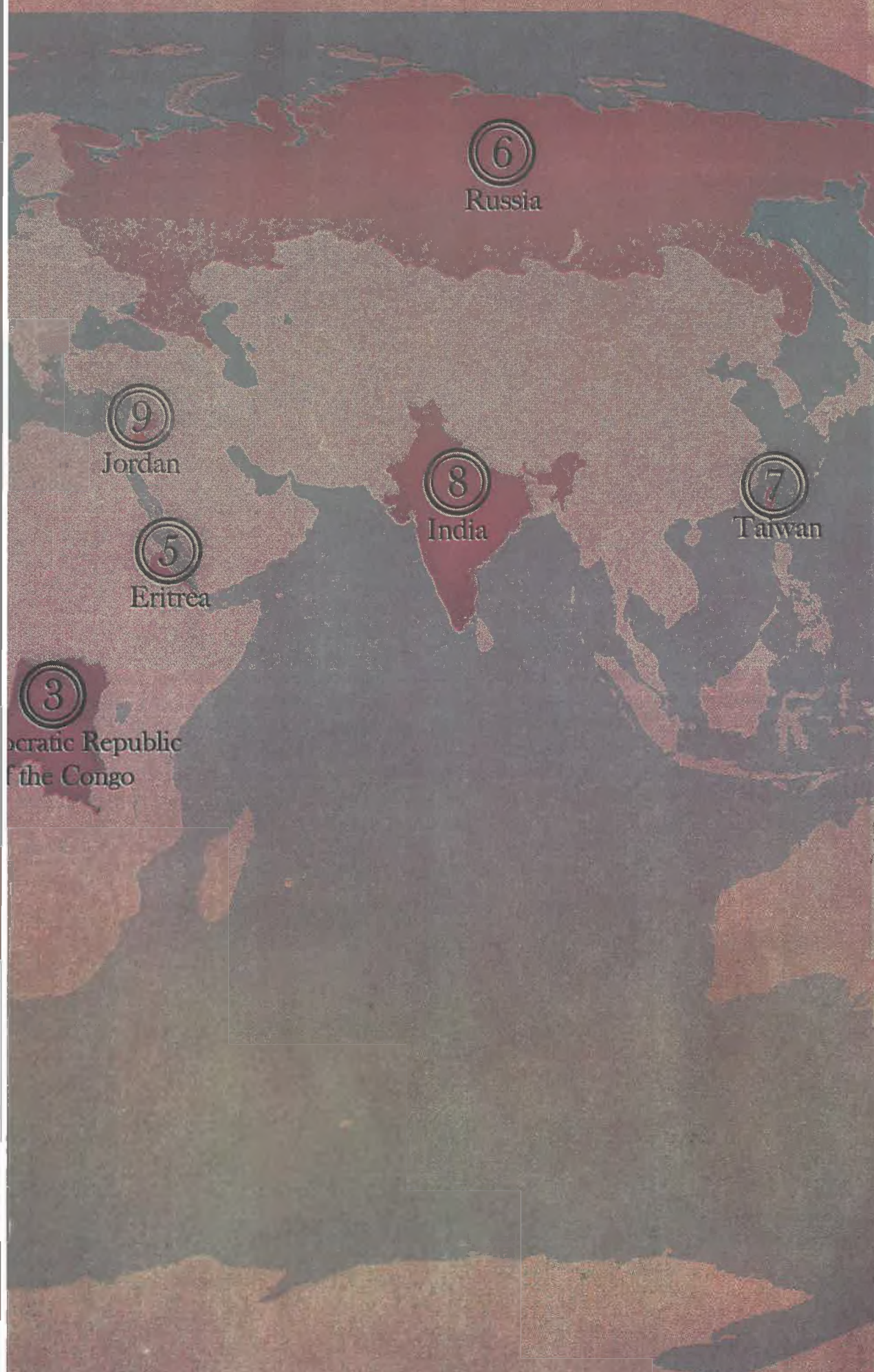
1837 - First translation of the Bible into Japanese

1870 - Clara Swain, the first female missionary medical doctor, arrived in Bareilly, India.

1900 - 189 missionaries killed in the Boxer Rebellion in China

From the Mission Field

in possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who
in marvelous light." 1 Peter 2:9



6. Russia:

In the first patriarchal election since the end of the Soviet Union, the Russian Orthodox Church has elected Metropolitan Kirill as its new leader. Kirill, who has been branded a progressive "modernizer," named reconciliation with the Roman Catholic Church as one of the primary items on his agenda. The shift in leadership will affect the Russian political climate as well as 165 million Russian Orthodox Catholics worldwide.

7. Taiwan:

Because it claims the highest attrition, or burnout, rate for missionaries out of any other mission field, Taiwan has acquired the reputation for being a "missionary's graveyard." Though the Taiwanese government grants its citizens religious freedom, missionaries explain that persecution from families has greatly hindered the growth of Christianity. "In most cases, when teenagers become Christians, it looks as if they are disrupting the family and not fulfilling their roles and obligations as expected in traditional Chinese culture," said Rev. Timothy Conkling with Taiwan Church Planting Partners. Of Taiwan's 22 million citizens, 93 percent practice a combination of Buddhism, Confucianism and Taoism.

8. India:

In an attempt to bring an end to the widening number of attacks on Christians, India's Supreme Court has ordered the state government of Orissa to protect Christians targeted by Hindu extremists. In addition to the deaths—reported numbers vary from as little as a few dozen to as many as 500, depending on the source—tens of thousands of Christians have been forced to take refuge in camps or the forest. Hindu fanatics have delivered an ultimatum: Christians may return to their homes only if they convert to Hinduism. If they return without accepting Hinduism, they will be killed. Officially a secular nation, India consists mainly of Hindus, who make up over 80 percent of the population. 13 percent are Muslim, and a little more than 2 percent, or 23 million, are Christian.

9. Jordan:

Known in the past for its stability amid the conflict in the Middle East, Jordan has recently met increasing political pressure from unrest in surrounding nations and the economic strain of hosting almost one million Iraqi refugees. Iraqis now account for more than 10 percent of Jordan's total population. In an effort to maintain the longstanding peace between Orthodox Catholics and Muslims, the government has issued a slew of deportations and denied residency permits out to evangelicals. Though there is no Jordanian law that openly prohibits evangelicals from practicing their faith, Islam—the country's official religion—forbids its believers from renouncing their faith.

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1939 - Missionaries in the British, French and Belgian colonies of Africa and Asia were expelled or detained for the duration of WWIL

1955 - Dutch missionary "Brother Andrew" made the first of many Bible smuggling trips into Communist Eastern Europe.

1988 - Wycliffe Bible Translators completed their 300th New Testament translation, the Cotabato Manobo language of the Philippines.

2005 - President Hugo Chavez ordered New Tribes Mission missionaries to leave Venezuela.

1942 - William Townsend, a missionary to the Cakchiquel Indians of Guatemala, founded Wycliffe Bible Translators after Cakchiquel-speaking men expressed surprise that God did not speak their language.

1960 - 18,000 people in Morocco replied to a newspaper ad by Gospel Missionary Union offering a free educational seminar on Christianity.

1989 - The concept of the 10/40 Window was originated at Lausanne II, a world missions conference.

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ExPatLit.com: True Free Press

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Cedarville alumni Joe and Heidi Dugan are putting their English degrees to good use via ExPatLit.com, an online literary review created to highlight writing by artists traveling abroad.

Joe, a 2007 graduate and former editor of both Cedars and the "Cedarville Review," felt—all clichés aside—as if something was missing from his life as a young professional. Although Dugan reported fulfillment in his work at a Korean school, he found himself "thirsting for more ... intellectual conversation, creative expression; the kind of dialogue that takes place in the college environment."

In conversations with wife, Heidi, Dugan reminisced about the college experience for young writers.

"One of my frustrations ... was the intense competition in the freelance publishing market," said Dugan. "It's very difficult for young writers, even talented young writers, to share their work with an audience larger than a campus or a small community of readers."

The couple also felt a special connection to the many students and recent

graduates that are experiencing life in unfamiliar cultures and locales. In Dugan's opinion, this often produces "extraordinary experiences and the talent to share them via the printed page. So, I thought

about my appetite for literary discourse. And I thought about the tough market and about my own experiences as a writer/traveler, and ExPatLit.com sort of 'clicked.'"

While most literary journals and/or reviews thrive on specific guidelines and strict submission requirements, ExPatLit seeks excellence without the barriers of bureaucracy.

ExPatLit does not offer a print edition, and seeks open submissions, "specifically ... travel writing or, even better, the observations and insights of expatriates—people who live and work far from 'the

comforts and calamities of home.'"

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Dugan expressed strong feelings against the unfortunate "pattern of cronyism, printing work by their friends and for a very specific group of readers," which Dugan found limiting to the creative process.

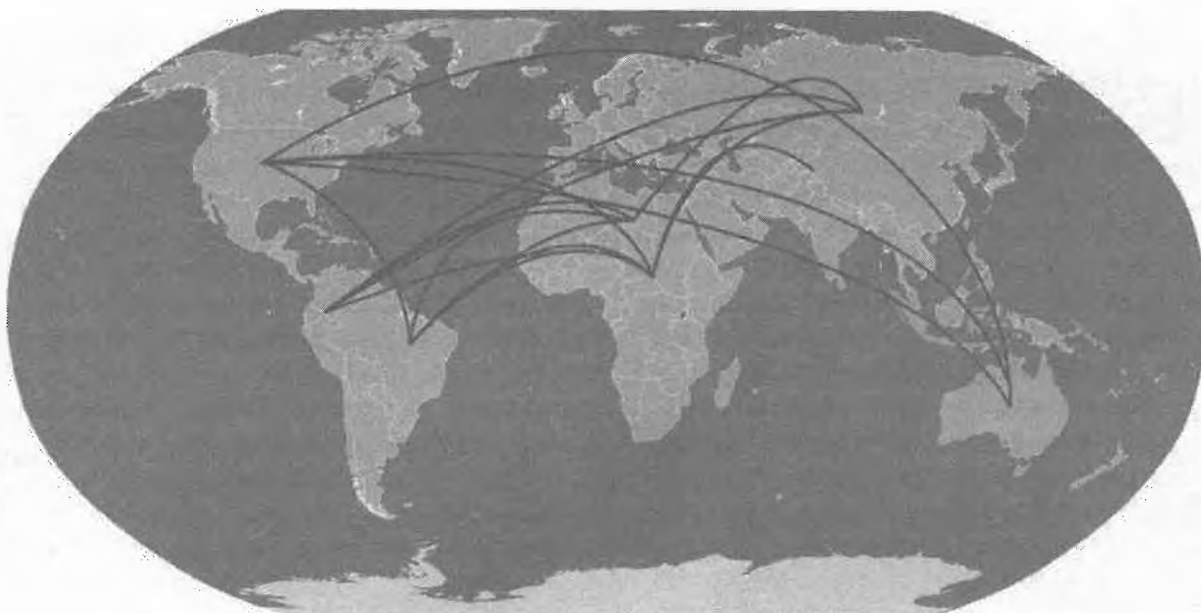
This led the couple to put "a structure in place to ensure blind reading." This simply means that ExPatLit's board of

nine editors will not have access to authorial information when reading the texts. The review has already received a handsome number of submissions, which Dugan proudly credits to the fact that "the more [one explores] and tastes and discovers, the more likely it is you'll stumble across an image, a picture, a nugget, an inspiration."

The couple's attraction to the literary pursuits is largely due to their shared belief that "a writer—an artist, for that matter—has a kind of sacred responsibility to mirror human experience in such a way as to comment thoughtfully and evoke a response without preaching or manipulating. It's a delicate task, and it takes experience to share experience."

They see ExPatLit as a perfect opportunity to do just that, particularly for those who "have never had the opportunity to travel themselves." The Dugans encourage writers from any genre to submit works with a strong travel theme, and emphasized that Cedarville students do not increase or decrease their chances of publication based on their Yellow Jacket status.

Details and submission guidelines can be found at www.expatlit.com.



Editor's Picks:

Time Waster:

Stumble Upon

Everybody knows that college students don't procrastinate enough. StumbleUpon allows its users to explore the vast cyber-terrain according to their specific interests.

Award Show:

Razzies

Who cares about watching the year's best accept awards at the Oscars or the Golden Globes? Instead, check out the year's worst cinematic accomplishments celebration.

Non-National Holiday:

Chinese New Year

Welcome to the Year of the Ox. According to tradition, anyone born this year will possess dependability, strength and determination.

20th Century Russian Composer:

Sergei Prokofiev

Ballets, film music and suites—this man could write them all. He could even make an opera about citrus seem interesting.

Tea:

Chamomile Spearmint

After a long night of studying, nothing brings comfort like a steaming cup of chamomile spearmint tea. Works just as well as Ambien without the side-effects.

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Claiborne Film Challenges Politics

Naomi Washatka
- Design Editor -

about the purpose of the book and tour.

"Ordinary Radicals" are described as those who have abandoned their nationalized views in exchange for a Christ-centered, engaging perspective on culture and society. The result is a counter-cultural, radical life focused on social justice and the oppressed—a life which uses thought-

ful politics as a means for sharing about the extraordinary love of Christ.

"The two great hungers in the world today are the hunger for spirituality and the hunger for social justice. The connection between the two is the one the

new generation is waiting for," author Jim Wallis said. "When politics fail to resolve and address the biggest issues, movements rise up to change politics. The best movements have these spiritual foundations."

"We ought to define the church as an institution of God's justice and mercy and love in the world—then I think we can define the church as a liberating force in society," John Perkins said in the film. "There is a need for a civil rights movement now; a new movement of people being kind to each other, living together ... that is what the Christian church should look like."

The DVD, available on The Ordinary Radicals Web site, is more than a documentary about a book. It is a challenge for the ordinary—one which can, and should, compel the individual to act out the love of Christ in a radical way.

"The Ordinary Radicals," the most recent project from Jamie Moffet and Another World is Possible productions, tells the stories of average Americans looking for change.

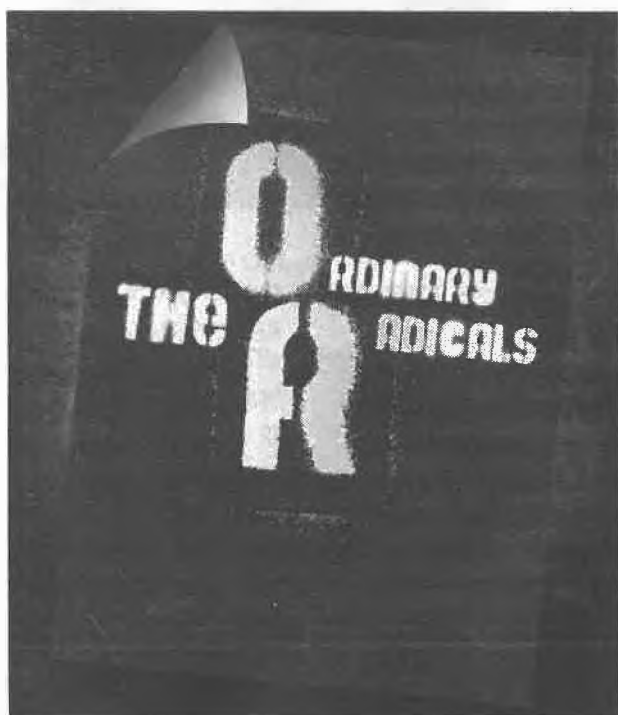
From Mark Weaver's story about his "The Price is Right" sacrifice to Michael Wong, a community developer in Los Angeles, the documentary gives a glimpse into the lives of people actively seeking and making changes—all in the name of Christ.

Following Shane Clai-

borne and Chris Haw on their 2008 "Jesus for President" book tour, the documentary highlights readers throughout the country who have been challenged to live a more-than-ordinary life. The movie also features famous speakers and authors, including Brain McClaren, Jim Wallis, Tony Campolo and Zack Exley who speak on the significance behind the overwhelmingly popular Evangelical movement.

The book, penned to "provoke the Christian-political imagination," came out last year, challenging Christians to be counter-cultural in the way they engage politics.

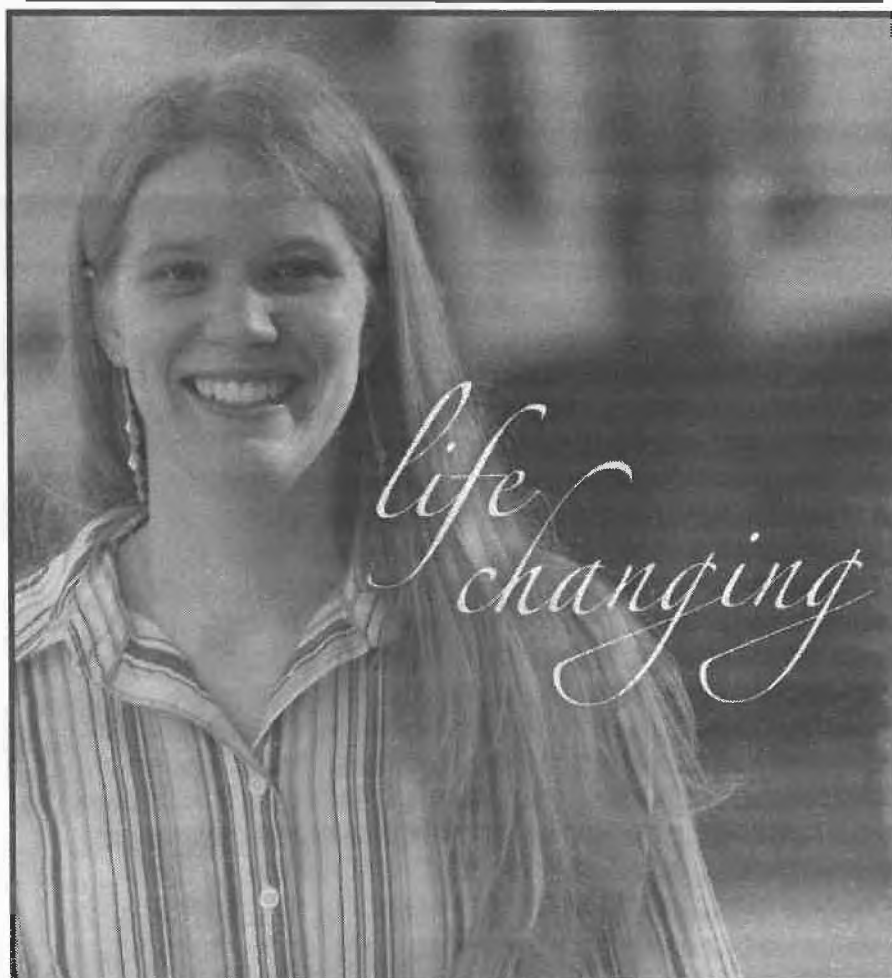
"There is a new generation of evangelical Christians who have learned from the mistakes of the religious right ... we're not out just to tell people how to vote in November, but to get people to start thinking for themselves about how they engage the world they're living in," Claiborne stated



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The Moon on the Water Rosa Matilda

*As soul fond Maid displays her bashful charms,
To lure a wand'ring Lover to her arms,
So, on the bosom of the treach'rous deep,
Enamour'd Dian softly seems to sleep,
From the blue concave of the cloudless sky
Viewing her silver face while gliding by,
So when Endymion, of mortal birth,
The Goddess lov'd, she languish'd on this earth.
Her shadowy beams th' alternate palling wave,
Amorous caress, and in it seem to lave
Each decking with a bright ephemeral veil,
Of sparkling diamon's on its azure breath.
Far as the eye can see a beauteous sight
Extends, a moving mass of dazzling light;
A thousand brilliant hues and shades are seen,
Which smoothly blend, and leave no shade between;
Each moment it a different aspect wears,
Now a fair hill of silver it appears!
Now a cascade of stars! Now upward fly
Bright sparklers mingling with the sky!
Mirror of Heav'n! in my ravish'd eye,
Immortal angles flopping from the sky,
Enamour'd seem on thy bright face to gaze,
Which thus unnumber'd glories back repays!
Their shadowy feet a moment on the light,
Then upward spring to Heav'n and spare my aching sight!*



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Film: "Defiance"

Amanda Roberts
-Staff Writer-

Over 15 years ago, holocaust survivor Professor Nechama Tec told the story of the Bielski brothers in her book, "Defiance: The Bielski Partisans."

Her riveting account of this Jewish family's remarkable survival in the woods of German-occupied Poland moved Director Edward Zwick to celebrate their lives with his abilities in cinematography.

The setting of the film stays mostly in the Polish forests where the four Bielski brothers have fled after the local police killed their parents by order of the residing German forces.

Led by the eldest brother, the Bielskis join with other Jewish refugees seeking shelter among the trees. "Defiance" then depicts the early events of what became the largest armed rescue operation of Jews by Jews in WWII.

The film champions Jews of the past by casting them as strong and determined people rather than the weak and mild animals the Germans treated them like. Yet Director Edward Zwick does take some liberties with the story of the Bielski family; one of the biggest complaints about the historical inaccuracies of "Defiance" is how it diminishes the Polish elements and exaggerates the violence of the group's experiences.



In his attempt to glorify their political courage, Zwick may have glossed over some of the moral shortcomings of the Jewish partisans.

While this decision might be a loss for history, it was a gain for the film. Zwick succeeds in capturing steady performances from stars like Daniel Craig and Liv Schreiber that empower the Bielski brothers with just, loyal, compassionate character.

A soothing violin solo score echoes the emotion of powerful scenes occurring one after the other. Though some details in these scenes seem and may be fabricated, the end result of the story is true. This truth deserves the honor offered by "Defiance."

Music: "The Glass Passenger"

Nick Carrington
-Staff Writer-

Jack's Mannequin frontman Andrew McMahon, formerly of Something Corporate, has always been one for writing deeply personal lyrics. The band's first CD, "Everything in Transit," chronicled McMahon's break up with a longtime girlfriend.

With the follow-up album titled "The Glass Passenger," McMahon pours out his soul about his successful bout with cancer.

In the album's first track, "Crashin," McMahon anxiously wonders about his post-disease music career with the lyrics:

"Even if your voice comes back again, maybe there'll be no one listening."

In "Swim," he implores himself to keep fighting the disease that doctors said might take his life, and in "Caves," McMahon comes to grips with the idea that death might really be waiting for him.

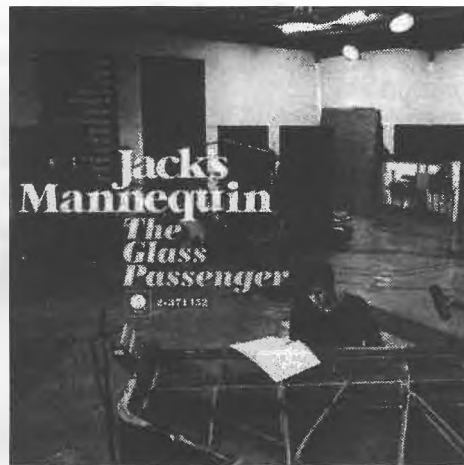
The words are a powerful testament to the resiliency and fear of someone who is suffering, but this is not what puts this album above its predecessor. McMahon's mu-

sic has always hinted at something more special, and there have been times where he's hit the mark and other times where he's just missed. On "The Glass Passenger," he hits more often than ever.

Melodically, Jack's Mannequin finally takes some steps away from their old tricks and is armed with new weapons. The strings in "Annie Use Your Telescope" are an unfortunate rarity in rock music, and "American Love" recalls 80s synth-pop fondly.

Even the songs that do not deviate stylistically from the glory days of Something Corporate and the first Jack's Mannequin album feel much more polished than their predecessors. The album's first single, "The Revolution," has been the highest charted single for the band to date.

Not every song hits you just right upon first listen; however, like many strong albums, they tend to grow on you. Whether the difficulties of cancer had anything to do with it or not, Andrew McMahon and company are doing things better these days.



REVIEWS

Music: "Miroir Noir"

Kevin Cole
-Staff Writer-

In between campaigning for President Obama, scoring a major upcoming movie, Linklater's "The Box," and recording their third album, Arcade Fire has released "Miroir Noir"—an avant-garde documentary celebrating "Neon Bible." The video was released online in December, with an actual DVD coming out this spring.

Arcade Fire is led by the energetic bullhorn-wielding duo of Win Butler and his wife, Regine Chassagne. They are backed by a motley crew of Canadian artists who are typically clad in Quaker-punk chic and are peddling a wild gospel of sing-a-long rock anthems.

Most of the material on "Miroir Noir" is off the group's sophomore LP, with a couple B-sides and occasional song off "Funeral."

The video is deliberately not, by any stretch, a typical concert recording. Butler has stated that most concert documentaries bore him because they are unable to truly capture the energy of a live show. For that reason Arcade Fire chose not to present an entire, uninterrupted concert, and they usually do not even show an entire song. More typically one verse or chorus is given, and there are plenty of more subdued mo-

ments showing the recording of "Neon Bible" back in 2006.

"Miroir Noir" is loosely centered on a handful of the thousands of voice recordings that were left on the 1-800-NEON BIBLE hotline just prior to that's album release. Some are disparaging, some funny and some predictably effusive.



This is probably because the band has somehow evolved into a half-cult half-band hybrid, and "Miroir Noir" is certainly a good step in that direction. L. Ron Hubbard over thought this religion business; all he really had to do was put out a film anywhere near as good as "Miroir Noir" and he would have converts by the millions.

As an art film showcasing an essentially underground band, the DVD is, of course, open to charges of gross pretension. If by "pretentious" we mean anything that contains grainy, sepia-soaked and/or black-and-white footage shot by people often incapable of holding a camera still, then yes, perhaps.

Those unfamiliar with Arcade Fire might lose patience quickly, and "Miroir Noir" is unlikely to convert ardent critics. But for even modest fans, the film is an excellent representation of who Arcade Fire is and the reasons the group has attracted religiously devoted followers.

Film: "Slumdog Millionaire"

Stephanie Devine
-Staff Writer-

A Golden Globe for Best Drama well deserved, Slumdog Millionaire is the captivating story of Jamal Malik (Dev Patel), an 18-year-old Indian Muslim born in the ghetto of Mumbai.

The narrative centers around Jamal's success on "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire." A wildly popular Indian version gets even more publicity when Jamal, coffee-gopher and unkempt teenager, perplexes local authorities with his string of correct answers to a wide variety of trivia questions. His lack of visible excitement intrigues local authorities who impound and torture Jamal, seeking to discover the means behind this obvious fraud.

As Jamal explains how he accumulated all of this seemingly random information, the audience is swept through the annals of his largely painful and merciless personal history.

Destiny is a central theme for the film, and Jamal's interactions with his brother, Salim, and his star-crossed childhood love, Latika, speak volumes to human nature and the power of the spirit to overcome near-fatal blows.

The cinematography is simple, and the costumes are far less flamboyant than one might expect from a work that many assume hails from Bollywood. The film is, however, the prod-



uct of British director Danny Boyle. "Slumdog Millionaire" is quite a departure from Boyle's well known works, "28 Days Later" and cult hit "Train-spotting."

Set to the beats of composer A.R. Rahman and M.I.A., the work is neither simple nor deep, just sincere to a point that few films manage to achieve. Peeks into civil disruption in Indian slums and the corruption of big-city governments help to weave an often painfully honest portrait of Indian society behind the smaller tapestry of Jamal's life.

CU Traces Steps of MLK

Stephanie Devine
-Staff Writer-

Last Sunday, Jan. 25, five faculty/staff members and 25 Cedarville University (CU) students arrived back on campus, stepping out of a star-spangled sleeper bus, after the second annual Civil Rights Bus Tour.

In an attempt to track the civil rights movement through the eyes of Martin Luther King Jr., the group traveled from Atlanta, Ga., through Alabama, stopping in Birmingham, Montgomery and Selma. The weekend concluded in the Civil Rights Museum in Memphis, Tenn., built around the Lorraine Motel, the site of King's assassination.

Dean of Student Life Jon Purple, who has coordinated the first two tours, eagerly anticipated another eye-opening experience. In first discussing the trip as a Cedarville staple, Purple relied on the testimonies of colleagues at other universities.

In keeping the bus tour format, Purple emphasized the unique benefits of "being on site, not just book learning, but actually stepping there." Since this is the first trip of its kind for the Cedarville community, Purple's first organizational attempts relied on inviting students "who were sensitive to issues of social justice."

Relying on campus groups such as the P.E.A.C.E Project and Student Relations Committee, Purple was well pleased with the diverse body of students that took the first trip and eventually assisted him in "working out all the bugs" that made this year's trip a large improvement in the eyes of the administration.

Although this 2009 trip was open to the entirety of the student body, Purple reports reserving "several spots for the MCC (Multi-Cultural Community), as well as several for freshmen." This creates the diversity Purple sees as an integral factor on the trip.

"This may sound a little simplistic," said Purple, "but one of the most meaningful things I heard was from a Caucasian student who attended last year. The student said that now, upon

were fighting for and why it was so important to them, and to reflect on how far we've come since that day and age and how far we still have to go."

Before leaving, Akande looked forward to helping "students who have read about the movement to have a chance to go where those little girls were bombed, to hear from witnesses what it was like on that day, to hear the pain and frustration they felt."

The prospect of the Edmond Pettis Bridge was high on Akande's list of expectations for the trip. Located in Selma, Ala., the bridge was the site of what is now referred to as "Bloody Sunday."

Akande said, "to actually go to the site and walk in the same place those people walked, I can't imagine."

Akande emphasized how easy it is for students to forget that the movement "really wasn't that long ago." She said that one of the major goals of

the trip is to provide "greater insight into the pain and hurt that happened in this country."

For ethnically diverse students considering Cedarville University, she sees the trip as "a concerted effort to let them know that they're welcome, that we want them here, to reach out to our brothers and sisters in the body of Christ."

Both Akande and Purple expressed enthusiasm for the trip in years ahead. The application process will likely remain open to the entire student body as the administration looks to continuously improve the content and experience for students in years ahead.



Danny Kloosterman sits on a bus with 24 other students headed to the South.

seeing a friend from the bus trip in a group of black students in the Hive, they [the Caucasian student] feel as if they can enter in the conversation based on the bridge of friendship extended during the trip."

Joining the group this year was Carmille Akande, associate dean for multicultural and special programs. Akande is slated to organize and lead the trip in years following.

Akande expressed a great deal of enthusiasm for the responsibility. "I think the trip exposes students, faculty and staff to [...] different aspects of the civil rights movement and gives them insight into what the civil rights leaders

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SAT scores; in comparison, the average pre-pharmacy freshmen ranks in the top four percent.

Students accepted for pre-pharmacy at Cedarville are required to meet higher high school GPA standards, interview at Cedarville, and will be required to maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA at CU throughout the three-year program before being eligible for acceptance to the four-year school of pharmacy.

Esther Ahn, who transferred into the pre-pharmacy program as a sophomore, says the program attracted her because of the integration of pharmacy with investigation into bioethical concerns. She also appreciates the opportunity to complete a Bible minor at Cedarville.

The final year of Cedarville's pharmacy program will offer unique opportunities. For instance, students will participate in advanced clinical rotations.

According to Dr. Sweeney, "the program will probably include clinical experiences in regional, state and national medical centers, pharmacies, public health system, home care companies, long term care facilities, physician clinics, consulting companies, pharmaceutical companies, wellness programs, specialty clinical areas—for example: neurology, oncology, cardiology, psychiatry, etc.)."

Additionally, students will have greater opportunity to join medical missions in the course of their clinical experience.



Dr. Marc A. Sweeney will be the founding dean of CU's future school of pharmacy.

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"Obama has this attitude: 'Work hard for us, and we'll work hard for you,' she said. It's a mutual exchange, and it's different from the previous administration. Obama's in it with us."

And Obama is already showing Americans the change he promised. Since taking office, he has called for a plan of responsible withdrawal from Iraq, ordered the closure of Guantanamo Bay within the next year, appointed qualified envoys to handle pressing issues in the Middle East, and overturned the Global GAG rule, allowing aid back to Family Planning organizations.

"Being president is an incredibly tough job, and Obama must be crazy or a saint to want this position," Sierawski said. "I'm gonna go with saint. He wants to make this country better, and I'll rally around that."

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because I attend this university."

Cedarville ranked number one according to both the CCCU and national reports in "commitment to academic excellence."

The stereotypical view that Christian universities somehow require academic concession is "completely unfounded," Ruby stated.

"You don't have to compromise intellectual development or academic excellence to attend a Christian school—there's no need to give up anything academically by choosing to attend a Christian university, and in particular Cedarville."

Ministry in particular stands out as a defining characteristic of CU, and this of no accidental fault according to Campus Pastor Bob Rohm. "Cedarville has made ministry one of the priorities of this university," he said. "It is an integral part of campus culture."

Cedarville boasts 16 full-time Christian Ministries employees, the largest ministry workforce in the CCCU.

"We have a great staff here," Rohm said. "We each look forward to continuing to serve the Cedarville student body in the coming semester and further."

A Christ-centered academic community, the stated mission of CU, is not defined by irrelevant external issues, but by the character of the university, Ruby says.

"What does it mean to us to be Christ-centered university? Has dress code changed over the past few years? To me, those are poor examples."

"I would rather have others assess us as a Christ-centered university according to our academic advisors, biblical integration, the unique Bible minor, chapel resources, ministry resources and our overall mission to support our students and glorify God."

From CULTURE Page 3

of ethnicities that we don't cover; we don't want people to be offended that we didn't represent their culture. There are so many, and we can't cover them all."

DuPree has been working closely with Purple to organize the event, and their vision for the week is for every student to explore and learn from cultures different from his own.

"My desire," said DuPree, "is to see the body of Christ embrace what it really means to be a community of Jesus followers. Within that community we must understand that there are differences among us that reflect God's beauty. I love Cultural Celebration Week because it's a week that our campus takes out to intentionally recognize that beauty."

Extra Points

SMASHED- the record for most All Star votes for one player by Orlando Magic center Dwight Howard with 3,150,181. Beating out Kobe Bryant and LeBron James, Howard will start for the East team in the NBA All Star game on Feb. 15.

NAMED- former MLB players Ricky Henderson and Jim Rice to the Baseball Hall of Fame.

CUT LOOSE- cornerback Adam Jones by the Dallas Cowboys after his alleged involvement in a shooting in June 2007.

RETIRING- 38-year-old Miami Heat forward Alonzo Mourning after 15 seasons and 40-year-old Los Angeles Dodger Jeff Kent after 17 seasons.

SACKED- NFL coaches Romeo Crennel, Eric Mangini, Mike Shanahan, John Gruden and Rod Marinelli after their teams disappointed this past football season.

OVERTHROWN- No. 1 ranked team Wake Forest by Virginia Tech days after ascending to the top spot in college basketball.

ASTOUNDED- fans of the Kentucky Wildcats and college basketball, by a 54-point night against the Tennessee Volunteers on Jan. 14. Meeks made 10 3-point baskets, leading the Wildcats to victory.

COLLIDING- The Pittsburgh Steelers and Arizona Cardinals in Super Bowl XLIII on Feb. 1. The Steelers will be seeking their sixth championship in their history while this will be the first appearance in the Super Bowl in Cardinals history.

PAID- Jonathan Papelbon by the Boston Red Sox, \$6.25 million for one year, the largest contract ever given to a closer who was eligible for arbitration for the first time.

LEADING- the National Hockey League in points, the Boston Bruins and San Jose Sharks with 73. The defending champions, the Detroit Red Wings are close behind with 68 points.

SKIPPING- the NHL All Star game, Pittsburgh Penguin captain Sidney Crosby due to a sore left knee. Crosby injured his knee in a Jan. 14 game against the Washington Capitals.

HUNG BACK- cyclist Lance Armstrong in the first stage of the Tour Down Under, where the seven-time Tour De France champion is making his comeback to the sport. Armstrong finished 64th out of 133 riders.

UPSET- No. 5 seeded Ana Ivanovic and No. 6 seeded Venus Williams in the opening rounds of the Australian Open.

BROKEN- The record for most receiving yards in one postseason set by Jerry Rice, Arizona Cardinals receiver Larry Fitzgerald. Rice had 409 yards in 1988, while Fitzgerald has 419 yards and five touchdowns through Arizona's postseason so far.

Cleveland's Corner

Chris "Cleveland" Harmon

-Staff Writer-



21-1. Cedarville University Yellow Jackets. I've been here for six years now and have never seen a team as talented as this one. However,

the No. 3 CU Jackets are indeed 21-1. For those who haven't been going to the men's basketball games this season, you are missing out.

This is a very talented team that, in my opinion, is unbeatable in the Callan Athletic Center. Not even the Oregon Tech Hustlin' Owls, formerly the No. 1 team in the nation, would stand a chance. I see three factors that contribute to this.

First, we have to look at coaching. Rookie Head Coach Pat Estepp has brought a new style of play to a team that used to live and die by the three. He has centralized the game plan around the big men and is consistently going for points in the paint. This, in turn, has allowed our 3-point shooters to get open more, which explains the 34 percent average from beyond the arc.

The second aspect we have to look at is the players themselves. Matt Harn-

er had an average start to the season, but has really heated up, scoring 57 points in the last four games. Ricardo Alliman has improved significantly, shooting almost 61 percent on the entire season. He also is leading the team with 129 rebounds.

The final player that really stands out to me at this point in the season is Derrick Hannon. He's not going to come out and dazzle you by scoring a lot of points—that's not his style. He has court vision that I haven't seen since the days of Jason Weakley and Greg Guiler, guards for the 03-04 CU Jackets. He seems to read what the defense is doing and make the right pass at the right time to set up the right shot.

Finally, I think Cedarville cannot be beaten at home because of our fans. The students here at CU provide an electric environment that rivals any other team in NAIA DII basketball.

The Walsh game was the perfect example of this. SGA called for a "White Out in" Callan, and the students responded with three walls of white shirts, white face paint and white hair spray, cheering madly for their team. The combination of that intensity, the force of the band behind them, and the court being surrounded on all four sides provided an environment that rivals any other stadium in the NAIA or NCAA.

Make the case for any other team if you wish, but it is crazy for CU to not be ranked No. 1 in the nation.

Track Teams Sweep Away Competition

Devin Babcock
-Sports Editor-

Both the Cedarville men's and women's track teams started their seasons off with victories at the Cedarville Indoor Invitational on Jan. 16.

The men coasted to an easy victory, qualifying four athletes for NAIA Nationals during their first competition of the year. The women held off Wright State for their victory, taking advantage of a number of strong performances from freshman athletes.

The men's team was fueled by the performances of race walkers Seth Campbell, Josh Wiseman and Grant Bacon, all qualifiers for NAIA Nationals. Freshman Justin Hoffman also qualified for Nationals in the 55 meter hurdles, falling just .03 seconds short of the school record with a time of 7.72 seconds. Hoffman also won the 200 meters in 23.20 seconds.

The 4-by-400 meter relay team of Michael Beight, Kurt Groman, Sammy Starr and Tyson Wells won their race with a time of 3:35.65. Of the first match, Groman said "It was good to get back to track. Seeing the results of extended training was encouraging."

The men's team also did well at the non-scoring meet at Indiana Wesleyan on Jan. 24. Freshman Evan Thayer won the mile and qualified for Nationals with a time of 4:18.73. Senior Travis Smith won

the triple jump, and senior Ben Michaud won the shot put. Seniors Kevin Kuhn and Seth Campbell also claimed victories, in the 1,000 meters and 5,000 meters, respectively.

The strong start to the season is a good signal of things to come for the Yellow Jackets. However, as Groman said, "we [see] we have room for improvement." With a strong core of upperclassmen and a rapidly improving group of freshmen, look for the Jackets to continue to improve this season.

The women's team was led to victory by the performance of NAIA All-American Bethany Davies, who met the standards to qualify for NAIA Nationals in the 600 meters with a time of 1:37.08. Davies also took part in a victory in the 4-by-400 meter relay, along with fellow senior Marla Rice and freshmen Carolyn Cann and Alexa Winik.

At Indiana Wesleyan's non-scoring meet Jan. 24, the Lady Jackets also performed well, fueled by Winik and Davies. Both qualified for Nationals, and will be joined by their 4-by-400 relay teammates, who also qualified. Freshmen Courtne Merritt and Rachel Wong also qualified in the high jump and 1,000 meters, respectively.

With a solid group of senior runners paving the way, the Lady Jackets are on their way to being very competitive in the NAIA.



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Junior guard Chris Walker dunks with authority.

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rity lacking from last year's team.

With only eight games left until the post-season, Coach Estep and his team are keeping things in perspective. Estep is focusing on taking one game at a time and not speculating about the postseason saying, "We have hung no banners and received no trophies for

anything yet."

Harner agreed, noting the importance of playing each game "as though it's the biggest game of the season." If the Jackets can accomplish that simple yet vital goal, their aspirations for a conference title and perhaps even a national championship seem like a distinct possibility.

National Championship for the Lady Jackets

Katie Laustsen
-Staff Writer-

An ideal season ends with a national championship. The Cedarville University Lady Jacket's volleyball team achieved this success when they won the NCCAA National Championship on Dec. 6. This marks the third time in the past four years the Lady Jackets have won this title.

Entering Nationals as the fifth seed, no one expected the Lady Jackets to win it all. Senior captain and NCCAA All-American, Libby Aker said nationals "was a freeing experience because the target wasn't on our backs."

The tournament started with a loss against first seed Campbellsville. "We didn't play our best," Aker said. Though the team lost, Aker said the match made the players realize they could compete at the same level as the other teams in the tournament.

On the same day the Lady Jackets lost to Campbellsville, they won against Colorado Christian. They followed up the next day with a win against Southwestern Assemblies of God. Coach Doug Walters said this game "is when things really started clicking. The captains really showed some leadership."

CU narrowly escaped elimination in a match against Mount Vernon during the semifinals. Down two sets and facing two Cougar match points, the Lady Jackets "played the best volleyball of the season,"

Walters said, and the team came back to win the match. Later that day, a 3-0 win against Dallas Baptist clinched the national title for CU.

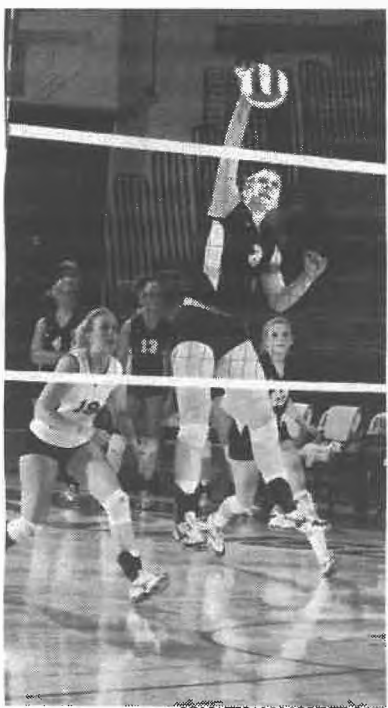
Walters attributes the team's success to the players. "It had nothing to do with me, all with them." Hired in July as the interim coach, Walters worked quickly to shape the players into a nationally competitive team. He remained interim coach until October when he was officially named head coach.

Coach Walters' interim status did not affect the player's respect for him. "This team did everything that we've asked of them," Walters said. "They put in all the extra work." He added that the team's success "is attracting quality players" for the years to come.

On the other hand, Aker gives much of the credit to her coach. She said Walters showed the team "how much fun volleyball can be" and "the importance of doing our jobs well. It's amazing that we have him."

Spring semester brought the start of weightlifting and practice for the Lady Jackets. "The team is seeing what happens with hard work," Walters said. They are also preparing for their upcoming missions trip to Costa Rica.

With a national championship title, a returning coach and nine returning players on their side, the volleyball team's upcoming season looks bright. Walters believes in the future of the team and thinks "there's a lot to look forward to."



JONATHAN MOULTROUP

Lady Jacket Basketball Holds Strong

Adam Clouse
-Staff Writer-

The only thing fluctuating with more vitality than the stock market may be the play of the Cedarville University Lady Jackets varsity basketball team. At the season's start, the team sat at 3-0 and, though unranked, had reason to believe that a surprise season may be in the works.

Since then, the team has experienced both the highs, having climbed as high as No. 13 in the NAIA DII rankings, and lows, having lost four times to unranked opponents, of an extended season.

Currently, the Lady Jackets sit at 14-5 overall and 4-2 inside the competitive American Midwest Conference. Last week was a good one for the team, as they registered a trio of victories over conference foes Mount Vernon Nazarene, Malone and Northwestern.

Had the team not earlier dropped consecutive home games to Ohio Dominican and Walsh, games in which they held leads of 14 and 18 respectively, the team would currently find itself tied atop the conference with perennial power Shawnee State.

That being said, the team still sits in good position to move up in both the conference and national rankings—where the team currently finds themselves ranked 25th—as well as qualify for the NAIA national tournament, a goal set by the team at the beginning of the season.

The upcoming schedule, including home matchups with aforementioned and undefeated Shawnee State—ranked No. 2 nationally—and No. 20 Daemen, will provide a daunting challenge that should better prepare the team as they move into the latter half of the season.

Currently the Lady Jackets are led in scoring by junior guard/forward Allison Lemon at 16 points a contest. Recently named the AMC Conference Player of the Week, Lemon, in last week's game at Malone, became the 17th Lady Jacket to score over 1,000 career points.

Lemon also paces the team in assists, steals and 3-point field goal percentage, shooting a blistering 55percent from behind the arc. Lemon currently leads NAIA DII in this department and, should she keep it up, would become the

first Lady Jacket in history to lead the nation in a statistical category.

Lemon has been helped inside by forwards Aubrey Siemon and Jenna Smith. Siemon leads the team in rebounding (8.4 per game), blocks (27) and double-double performances (four). The addition of a mid-range jumper to an already established repertoire of post moves has, in recent weeks, made Siemon even more difficult to guard.

Even more encouraging for Head Coach Kirk Martin, may be the maturation of Smith. The redshirt freshman who sat out all of last year has steadily improved over the season and brings averages of nine points per game and six rebounds per game into this week's action.

As always, the Lady Jackets have been able to rely on the adept, albeit inconsistent, play of a quartet of backcourt members. Starters Rachel Hurley and Lydia Miller team with reserves Kara Cayton and Bayley Nosal to provide the team with over 30 points per game.

Hurley, the savvy sophomore point guard, and Cayton, the freshman sharpshooter, have stepped up their games. Over the past three games, Hurley has drained seven triples en route to averaging 11 points per game while Cayton, still recovering from a deleterious high ankle sprain, has drained eight triples during that same stretch, including four against Mount Vernon.

With less than month left in the conference season, the Lady Jackets find themselves in position to accomplish two of the three goals set at the start of the season. While a conference title may be out of reach, the team, even should it lose to Shawnee State on Jan. 31, still sits in good position to qualify for the national tournament in Sioux City, Iowa.

More importantly, however, is the goal of "remembering the main thing," a motto the team has adopted this season. Before every game, the team partakes in a Bible study and focuses on ways they can use their individual talents to glorify God both on and off the court.

Accomplishing this, in addition to playing up to their talent level, should be enough to get this team to the national tournament and beyond.



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Sophomore Aubrey Siemon paces the Lady Jackets against ODU

Humboldt Lays Foundation for Modern Educations

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In 1809, Karl Wilhelm Baron von Humboldt founded the Friedrich-Wilhelm-University (Humboldt-University since 1945) in Berlin.

At this time, Wilhelm von Humboldt was appointed the Head of the Department of Education and Teaching in the Prussian Ministry of the Interior. In the course of the reconstruction of the Prussian State, it fell to Humboldt to form the Education Department according to his

humanistic concepts. The establishment of the Berlin University was one of his major accomplishments.

The goal of a humanistic education is an individual, multi-faceted, well-rounded training of a person's abilities. To Humboldt, education was the foundation and purpose of human existence. His motto said, "Educate yourself and ... affect others by what you are."

Next, education should be self-discovery, the development of one's own indi-

viduality, maturation to independence and autonomy. The process of education is accomplished through the negotiation of conflict in the assumption of an assignment.

Humboldt argued the belief that the human who works for himself brings the greatest use for society.

Humboldt recognized three school levels: elementary, high school and college.

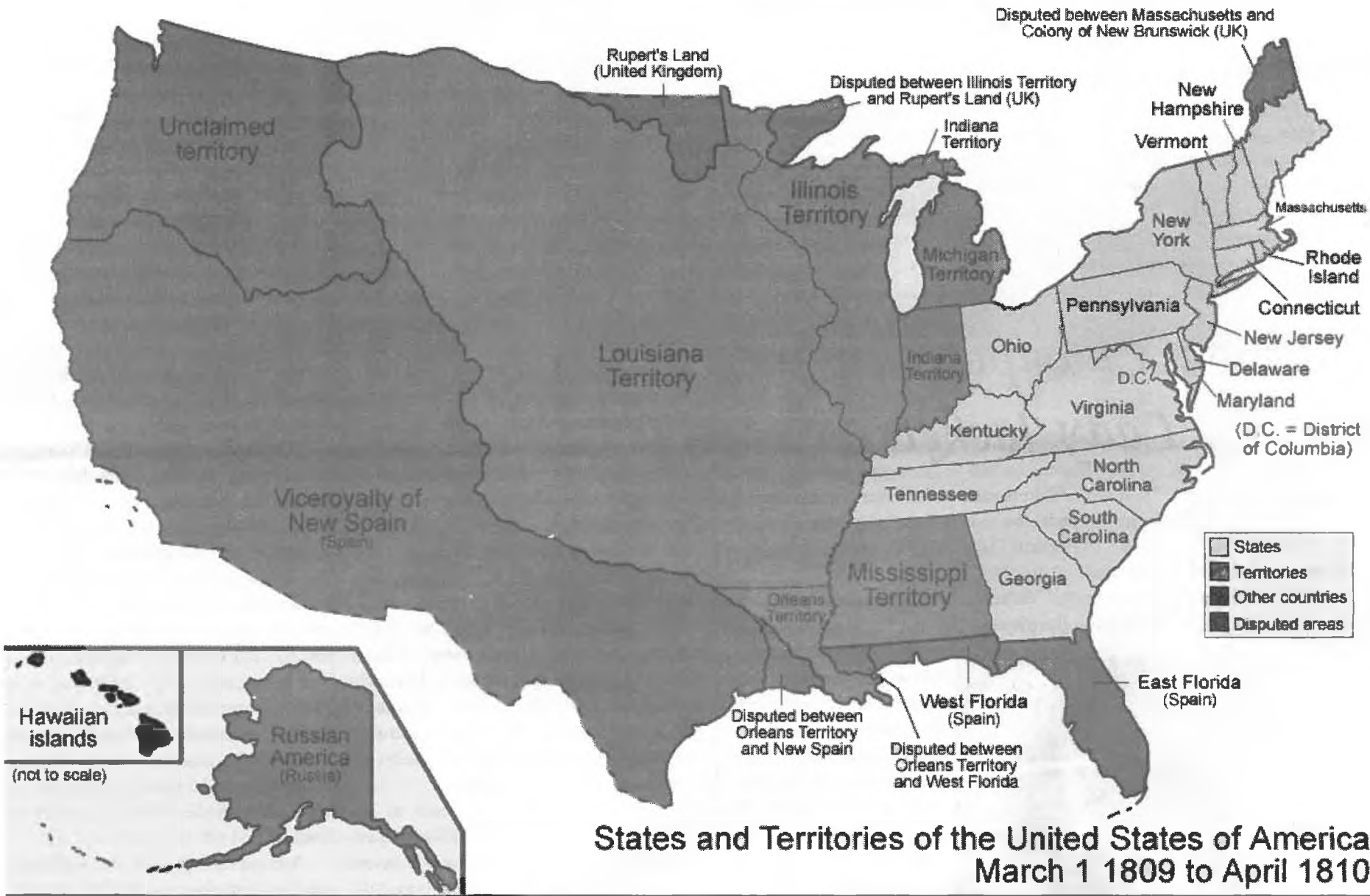
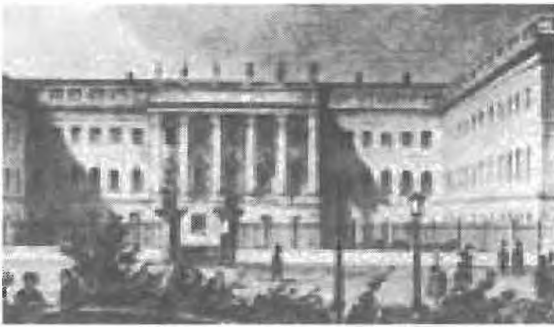
The elementary lessons included such disciplines as arithmetic, writing and

reading. The high school focused on three main areas of study: foreign languages and history, geography, and the sciences such as mathematics and physics.

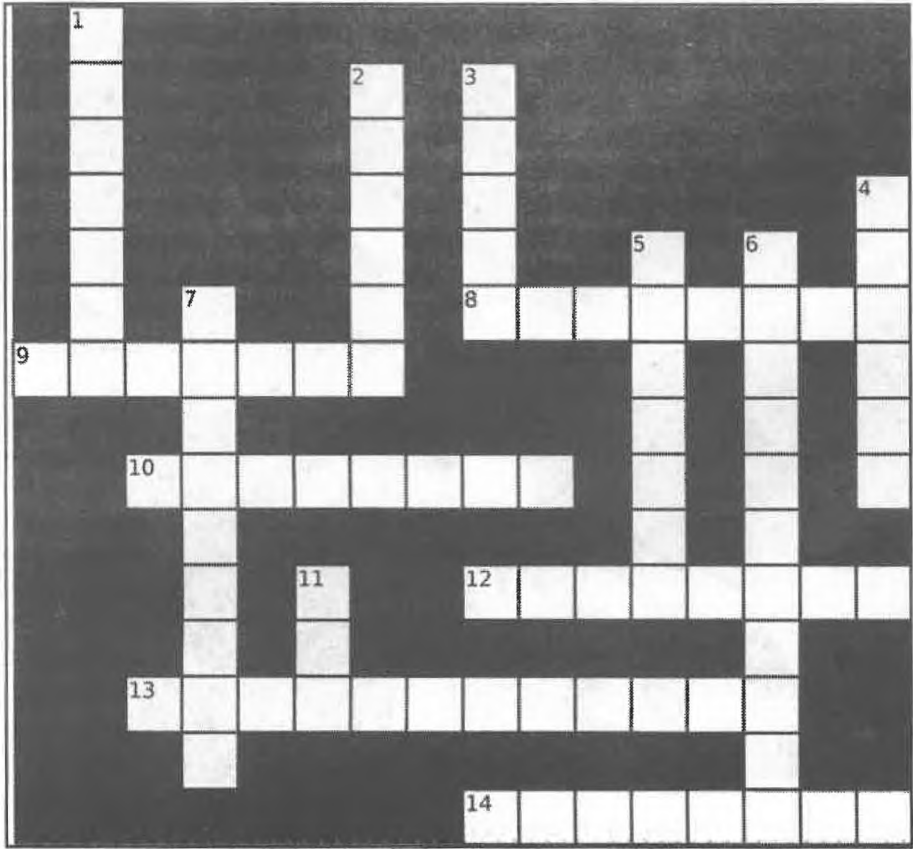
The most important subjects were Latin, Greek, German and mathematics, exceeding both modern languages and history as areas of study.

The emphasis on the ancient languages established the formal quality of Humboldt's education. The University promoted and assisted students in independent research and above all, connected the sciences and spotlighted philosophy as the heart of all learning.

"Humanistische Bildungsweisen," p. 468 in Chronik der Deutschen. Munich: Chronik Verlag, 1995.



The Old Rugged Crossword



Across:

8. This Midwestern state started organizing in 1809.
9. It may be cold outside today, but this European country witnessed freak snow and ice storms 200 years ago.
10. This woman received the first U.S. patent in 1809.
12. Lord _____, author of "The Lotus Eaters"
13. President inaugurated in 1809 (first and last name)
14. This French emperor was exiled and excommunicated in the same year (first name).

Down:

1. This South American country declared independence from Spain on Aug. 10.
2. Naturalist scientist, born on Feb. 12 (last name)
3. This Ohio university was founded by George Washington
4. Wearing masks at balls was banned in this American city
5. This "honest" president's birthday falls in 1809 (last name)
6. Thirty-three years prior to his death in 1809, Thomas Paine penned this pamphlet
7. Robert Fulton patented this on Feb. 11
11. "The Fall of the House of Usher" author, born on Jan. 19

